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Dear friends,

On behalf of the staff, guests, and Board of Directors of Safe Harbor Homeless Shelter, I wish to thank you for your generous gift of a \$750 grant through the Beds for Kids Advisory Fund of the Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley for two beds and one crib, including the frames, mattresses, box springs and linens for those beds. The timely arrival of your gift coincided with a family that was moving into their new home and were in need of beds and the crib for the baby.

Our calls for service have increased from 130 calls in 2013 to 213 inquiries in 2015. As these statistics indicate, the need for shelter for homeless families has increased dramatically. We are privileged to be able to fulfill this need for many families through the generosity of our partners such as you.

We have begun a mentoring program for our guests. We have found that at times, when a guest has accomplished all her goals toward independence in our five-step program, the fear of being on her own (sometimes for the first time) is overwhelming, and in one way or another she may sabotage her own success. Therefore, several of our board members have offered to become mentors to these women. They begin the mentoring process when the guest enters the shelter and walk with her through the program and into her final destination of independence. The mentor is available to the guest until the guest is fully confident and ready to be responsible for her own affairs. It is our hope that this program will insure that even more women may become productive, confident, and responsible members of our community.

Thank you again for your generosity. We value your partnership with us.

Yours truly, Burny Irank

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Board Member

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